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TRIPARTITE CENTRIFUGEGROUP VIEWS ON URANIUM ENRICHMENT
COOPERATION

1. UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM HMG, BRITISH EMBASSY INFORMED
FSE TODAY THAT TRIPARTITE CENTRIFUGE GROUP MET LAST WEEK
TO DISCUSS U.S. PROPOSAL FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
ON URANIUM ENRICHMENT (CONTAINED IN ECG/6). AT BRUSSELS
MEETING, TRIPARTITE GROUP COUNTRIES WILL AGREE TO
PARTICIPATE IN WORK OUTLINED UNDER SECTION B "JOINT
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PLANNING ACTIVITIES" OF ECG/6. BRITISH WILL INFORM

DONALDSON AND OCKRENT OF THIS PRIOR TO BEGINNING OF MEETING TOMORROW.

2. WITH REGARD TO LEVEL OF DISCUSSIONS ON TECHNOLOGY SHARING (SECTION C OF ECG/6), TRIPARTITE MEMBERS HAVE NOT YET TAKEN A FINAL DECISION ON WHAT THEIR ATTITUDE WILL BE. BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICIAL INDICATED TRIPARTITE GROUP WISHES TO EXPLORE FURTHER WITH US APPROACH WE HAVE IN MIND BEFORE MAKING A DECISION. (AEC APPARENTLY INDICATED LAST WEEK TO BRITISH EMBASSY THAT IT WOULD BE ABLE TO LAY OUT U.S. IDEAS ON THIS IN MORE DETAIL AT BRUSSELS MEETING. BEFORE FINAL DECISION CAN BE MADE ON THIS ASPECT OF PROBLEM, IT WILL HAVE TO BE REFERRED BACK TO TRIPARTITE GROUP. UK OFFICIAL HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF

SUBSTANTIVE POINTS THAT TRIPARTITE MEMBERS FIND TROUBLESOME.

3. TRIPARTITE MEMBERS FELT TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AD HOC GROUP TO BE ESTABLISHED ON THIS ACTIVITY SHOULD NOT GIVE PRIORITY OR PROMINENCE TO ANY PARTICULAR NATIONAL PROPOSALS. THEY INTEND TO SUGGEST REFORMULATION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE TO MAKE THEM MORE "NEUTRAL". UK OFFICIAL STRESSED THAT HMG DESIRE FOR MORE NEUTRAL TERMS OF REFERENCE DOES NOT INDICATE UNWILLINGNESS ON PART OF TRIPARTITE GROUP TO DISCUSS U.S. PROPOSAL. IN FACT, THEY WOULD EXPECT U.S. TO TABLE ITS IDEAS FOR DISCUSSION. KISSINGER

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